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OUT OF THE PAST

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DUXBURY, Dec. 18 - A rather peculiar accident occurred yesterday afternoon on Long Point Ave. The braying of a donkey at the F. B. Maxwell summer home caused a horse owned by Charles Clark and driven by his sister, Mrs. Tappan, to bolt.

The runaway threw Mrs. Tappan to the side of the road and she was taken in an unconscious state into the house of Mrs. Lucy Winsor. A physician was summoned and she was removed to her home in South Duxbury, where it was found that her arm was broken in 2 places. She is resting comfortably.

In the meantime the horse galloped with the gig into the yards of Mrs. John Irwin and Mrs. Moulton, went through a picket fence and to the main road again. The gig was reduced to kindling, but the horse was unharmed.

Duxbury, Aug. 8, 1903. The 1st regiment today went into camp on Powder Point and the Duxbury people turned out en masse to witness the first day's exercises. Next Wednesday will be Governor's day, when his excellency, John L. Bates and Mrs. Bates, will be guests at camp. The Governor will be met at the Duxbury railroad station by a detail of elder soldiers and escorted to the camp grounds. From 4 to 5 there will be a public reception at the summer home of Frank Hutchins, a past commander of the Ancients. After dress parade will follow a reception to the Governor, officers of the regiment and guests at the residence of William J. Wright on St. George St. In the evening, Gov. Bates will be a guest at the Myles Standish House, South Duxbury on Thursday. Major Joshua M. Cushing of this town entertains the Governor and Major W.M. Clark on a fishing trip; and Thursday evening His Excellency will be the guest of Major Clark. Duxbury clams from the town's guarded beds will be dug and served in South Shore style for the Governor.

More than 500 descendants of the original John Alden and Priscilla Mullens, Tuesday, gathered at the homestead here for a third yearly reunion.

The Unitarian Church fair at Mattakeset Hall, Thursday attracted many summer people.

Mr. and Mrs. G.S. Clark of Brookline have closed their Standish Shore cottage for a few weeks' visit to Quebec.

At the Duxbury Yacht Club whist, prizes went to Mrs. W.F. Webb, Mrs. F.A. Brandt, F.E. Kent and Hiram Simmons. Fifty couples were present at the hop in the clubhouse Monday evening.

Miss Marie Gribbin of "A Chinese Honeymoon" company is here for the rest of the season.

Mr. and Mrs. George A. Delano are entertaining Miss Sadie E. Sawyer of Everett.

Mrs. S.A. Wilde is entertaining C.D. Solomon of Somerville.

DO YOU KNOW DUXBURY?

1. "On the island is a tablet marking the first landing of MAYFLOWER men on the west side of Cape Cod Bay, and recording their Sunday rest and worship in a spot, cold enough, bleak enough, while securing these tired and hungry, but devout and determined, men from savage attack." Identify the island mentioned.

2. A monument has been erected to what animal in Duxbury?

3. Which live longer, clams or quahaugs?

4. What section of Duxbury was once the center of shoe-making?

The Answers

1. Clark's Island
2. Ezra Weston's horse on Powder Point
3. Clams may live to be 12; quahaugs to be 30
4. Tinkertown.